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1. HEAD OF CUBAN DELEGATION VALDEZ VIVO IN SPEECH AT MAPUTO UN CONFERENCE MAY 18 SAID PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA, AND SOUTH AFRICA "MUST BE FREE NOW." HE SAID ALL THREE FIGHT AGAINST THE SAME ENEMY, THE "BUTCHER" CREATED AND SUSTAINED BY IMPERIALISM: SOUTH AFRICA. SOUTH AFRICA IS AN ANACHRONISTIC REPLICA OF NAZI GERMANY, AND IS ASSIGNED THE SAME HATEFUL ROLE IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE CONTINENT THAT ISRAEL IS ASSIGNED IN THE NORTH.

2. VIVO ACCUSED IMPERIALISTS OF MORE AND MORE OFTEN USING OTHERS TO FIGHT, AS WAS REVEALED DURING THE WAR IN VIETNAM. HE QUOTED U.S. AMBASSADOR BUNKER AS SAYING, "THE ISSUE INVOLVED IS TO CHANGE THE SKIN COLOR OF THE DEAD." IF THIS WAS "VIETNAMIZATION," THEN "AFRICANIZATION" IS NO DIFFERENT, VIVO SAID.

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3. VIVO SAID CUBA STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE ARMED STRUGGLE IN ZIMBABWE, AND CALLED IT "THE ONLY ROAD CAPABLE OF PREVENTING THE COLONY FROM BECOMING A NEO-COLONY, THE ONLY ROAD CAPABLE OF ACHIEVING A REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE IN THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE AND NOT OF THE IMPERIALIST MONOPOLIES."

4. CUBA DOES NOT OPPOSE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION, VIVO DECLARED, "BUT IAN SMITH ... WANTS TO USE NEGOTIATION AS A MEANS OF ASSURING NEOCOLONIAL CONTROL." THAT IS THE MANEUVER THAT MUST BE AVOIDED, HE SAID. "THE IAN SMITH CLIQUE COULD NOT RESIST A SINGLE DAY WITHOUT THE SHAMEFUL SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL IMPERIALISM WHICH PROVIDES IT ARMS AND RESOURCES, NOR COULD VORSTER SURVIVE WITHOUT PLANS LIKE THOSE OF KISSINGER.

5. TURNING TO NAMIBIA, VIVO STATED SOUTH AFRICA AND ITS IMPERIALIST ALLIES TRY EVERY MEANS AVAILABLE TO ROB THE UNITED NATIONS OF ITS LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY IN ORDER TO IMPOSE A NEO-COLONY. VIVO CALLED ON SA TO REMOVE ITS FORCES FROM NAMIBIA, TO RELEASE POLITICAL PRISONERS AND NEGOTIATE WITH SWAPO UNDER MEETINGS CONVENED BY THE UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA.

6. VIVO SAID SOUTH AFRICA IS THE IMPERIALISTS' GENDARME, AS EVIDENCED BY ITS AGGRESSION AGAINST ANGOLA. SOUTH AFRICA IS A PRISON FOR ITS OWN PEOPLE. BUT ONE DAY, "WE WILL SALUTE THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS IN VICTORY."

7. VIVO THEN DEPARTED FROM TEXT, AND SPEAKING IN ENGLISH, GAVE THE RUSSIANS A LITTLE HELP BY RESPONDING TO EARLIER VICIOUS CHINESE ATTACK ON SOVIET DESIGNS IN AFRICA: "I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE WELL-KNOWN POLICY OF ONE SUPER-POWER REPRESENTED AT THIS CONFERENCE. THE DELEGATE FROM THIS SUPER-POWER HAS TOLD MANY LIES ABOUT IMPERIALIST ACTS IN ASIA AND AFRICA. BUT THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES OF AN-
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GOLA HAVE FIRM PROOF THAT HIGH OFFICERS OF THIS SUPER-POWER, WHO WITH WHITE MERCENARIES ATTACKED ANGOLA WITH THE HELP OF SOUTH AFRICAN RACIST FORCES. THIS SUPER-POWER IS THE BEST FRIEND OF THE FASCIST REGIME OF PINOCHET; AND THE BEST FRIEND OF REACTIONARY FORCES EVERYWHERE. BUT HE SAID, "I DON'T WANT TO CONTINUE ON THAT MATTER, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW IF TOMORROW, THAT DELEGATE MAY NOT BE ACCUSED OF BEING PART OF THE GANG OF FOUR."

8. RETURNING TO HIS TEXT, VIVO SAID SOME EUROPEAN NATIONS WANT TO DESTROY IN ANGOLA THE HOPES FOR FUNDAMENTAL SOCIAL CHANGE THAT ARE SPREADING THROUGHOUT AFRICA." THE ZAIRE REGIME IS ACTING FOR THEM, BY ITS LIES THAT ATTEMPT TO INTERNATIONALIZE WHAT IS A STRUGGLE OF THE ZAIREAN PEOPLE, AND THROUGH THIS CREATE A NEW THREAT AGAINST ANGOLA. VIVO SAID CUBA HAS NEVER CONCEALED ITS ACTIONS, AND NO CUBAN MILITARY FORCE, NOR CUBAN FIGHTERS, HAVE CROSSED THE FRONTIERS OF ANGOLA. ANY AGGRESSION AGAINST ANGOLA WILL BE CONSIDERED AS AN AGGRESSION AGAINST CUBA, HE CONCLUDED.

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